

Proviso.
Federal holdings consolidated.

Reservations.

Vol. 39, p. 864.

Authority conferred.

now owned by the Juanita Coal and Coke Company, a Colorado corporation, and situate in the county of Gunnison, State of Colorado, described as follows: The east half and the southwest quarter of section 19, all in township 13 south of range 90 west of the sixth principal meridian: *Provided*, That by such action he will be enabled advantageously to consolidate the holdings of coal lands by the United States: *And provided further*, That patent to be issued for the south half of the southwest quarter of section 3, township 13 south, of range 91 west, shall contain appropriate notations as provided by section 9 of the Act of December 29, 1916 (Thirty-ninth Statutes, page 862).

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to perform any and all acts and to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary and proper for the purpose of carrying the provisions of this Act into full force and effect.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

March 3, 1927.

[S. 4328.]

[Public, No. 739.]

CHAP. 336.—An Act To authorize the appointment of an additional judge for the district court of the United States for the northern district of California.

California northern
judicial district.
Additional judge to
be appointed for.

Vol. 36, p. 1087.

Vol. 42, p. 838.

Residence, etc.

Effective immediately.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is hereby authorized, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint a judge to fill a vacancy created in the district court of the United States for the northern district of California, occasioned by the death of Honorable John S. Partridge, who was appointed as an additional judge in said district under the provisions of the Act of Congress entitled "An Act for the appointment of an additional circuit judge for the fourth judicial district, for the appointment of additional district judges for certain districts, providing for an annual conference of certain judges, and for other purposes," approved September 14, 1922.

SEC. 2. The judge appointed hereunder shall reside in said district and his compensation and powers shall be the same as now provided by law for the judges of said district.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect immediately.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

March 3, 1927.

[S. 4746.]

[Public, No. 740.]

CHAP. 337.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to collect and publish statistics of the grade and staple length of cotton.

Cotton statistics.
Annual publication
of stocks of grades and
staple lengths in ware-
houses on August 1 of
each year.

Estimates of grades,
etc., in current crops.

Proviso.
Three estimates of
each crop.
Statement of tender-
able or untenderable
for future delivery.
Vol. 39, p. 476.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to collect and publish annually, on dates to be announced by him, statistics or estimates concerning the grades and staple length of stocks of cotton, known as the carry-over, on hand on the 1st of August of each year in warehouses and other establishments of every character in the continental United States; and following such publication each year, to publish, at intervals in his discretion, his estimate of the grades and staple length of cotton of the then current crop: *Provided*. That not less than three such estimates shall be published with respect to each crop. In any such statistics or estimates published, the cotton which on the date for which such statistics are published may be recognized as tenderable on contracts of sale of cotton for future delivery under the United States Cotton Futures Act of August 11, 1916, as amended, shall be stated separately from that which may be untenderable under said Act as amended.

SEC. 2. That the information furnished by any individual establishment under the provisions of this Act shall be considered as strictly confidential and shall be used only for the statistical purpose for which it is supplied. Any employee of the Department of Agriculture who, without the written authority of the Secretary of Agriculture, shall publish or communicate any information given into his possession by reason of his employment under the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than \$300 or more than \$1,000, or imprisoned for a period of not exceeding one year, or both so fined and imprisoned, at the discretion of the court.

Information furnished considered strictly confidential.

Unauthorized publishing, etc., information by employee, a misdemeanor.

Punishment for.

SEC. 3. That it shall be the duty of every owner, president, treasurer, secretary, director, or other officer or agent of any cotton warehouse, cotton ginnery, cotton mill, or other place or establishment where cotton is stored, whether conducted as a corporation, firm, limited partnership, or individual, and of any owner or holder of any cotton and of the agents and representatives of any such owner or holder, when requested by the Secretary of Agriculture or by any special agent or other employee of the Department of Agriculture acting under the instructions of said Secretary to furnish completely and correctly, to the best of his knowledge, all of the information concerning the grades and staple length of cotton on hand, and when requested to permit such agent or employee of the Department of Agriculture to examine and classify samples of all such cotton on hand. The request of the Secretary of Agriculture for such information may be made in writing or by a visiting representative, and if made in writing shall be forwarded by registered mail, and the registry receipt of the Post Office Department shall be accepted as evidence of such demand. Any owner, president, treasurer, secretary, director, or other officer or agent of any cotton warehouse, cotton ginnery, cotton mill, or other place or establishment where cotton is stored, or any owner or holder of any cotton or the agent or representative of any such owner or holder, who, under the conditions hereinbefore stated, shall refuse or willfully neglect to furnish any information herein provided for or shall willfully give answers that are false or shall refuse to allow agents or employees of the Department of Agriculture to examine or classify any cotton in store in any such establishment, or in the hands of any owner or holder or of the agent or representative of any such owner or holder, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than \$300 or more than \$1,000.

All holders of cotton to furnish, when officially requested, statement of grade and staple lengths of cotton on hand.

Department agents to examine and classify.

Manner of requesting.

Refusal to furnish information, etc., a misdemeanor.

Penalty.

SEC. 4. The Secretary of Agriculture may cooperate with any department or agency of the Government, any State, Territory, District, or possession, or department, agency, or political subdivision thereof, or any person; and shall have the power to appoint, remove, and fix the compensation of such officers and employees, not in conflict with existing law, and make such expenditures for the purchase of samples of cotton, for rent outside the District of Columbia, printing, telegrams, telephones, books of reference, periodicals, furniture, stationery, office equipment, travel, and other supplies and expenses as shall be necessary to the administration of this Act in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, and there are hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be necessary for such purposes.

Cooperation with Federal agencies, States, etc.

Authority for officers, employees, expenses, etc.

Sums necessary authorized.

SEC. 5. That, of the reports issued by the Secretary of Agriculture, pursuant to the Act entitled "An Act authorizing the Department of Agriculture to issue semimonthly cotton crop reports and providing for their publication simultaneously with the ginning reports of the Department of Commerce," approved May 3, 1924, only five

Monthly instead of semimonthly reports of condition, etc., to be published.
Vol. 43, p. 115, amended.

Issue simultaneously with Census ginning reports.

Date and time specified.

Report of acres in cultivation July 1, followed on September 1 and December 1 of acreage abandoned since.

shall be issued hereafter, one as of August 1, one as of September 1, one as of October 1, one as of November 1, and one as of December 1, each of which shall state the condition and progress of the crop and the probable number of bales which will be ginned, these reports to be issued simultaneously with the cotton ginning reports of the Bureau of the Census relating to the same dates, the two reports to be issued from the same place at eleven antemeridian of the eighth day following that to which the respective reports relate. When such date of release falls on Sunday or a legal holiday the report shall be issued at eleven o'clock antemeridian of the next succeeding workday.

SEC. 6. The Secretary of Agriculture shall cause to be issued a report on or before the 10th day of July of each year showing by States and in toto the number of acres of cotton in cultivation on July 1, to be followed on September 1 and December 1 with an estimate of the acreage of cotton abandoned since July 1.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

March 3, 1927.

[S. 4340.]

[Public, No. 741.]

New York, northern judicial district. Additional judge authorized for. Vol. 36, p. 1037, amended.

Residence.

CHAP. 338.—An Act To provide for the appointment of an additional judge of the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, an additional judge of the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of New York, who shall reside in said district and who shall possess the same powers, perform the same duties, and receive the same compensation as the present district judge of said district; and that the official residence of said judges shall not be in the same or adjoining counties.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

March 3, 1927.

[S. 4351.]

[Public, No. 742.]

Springfield, Mass. Parcels of Armory Reservation transferred to city for public highways.

First parcel. Description.

CHAP. 339.—An Act Authorizing the Secretary of War to convey to the city of Springfield, Massachusetts, certain parcels of land within the Springfield Armory Military Reservation, Massachusetts, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered to convey by quitclaim deed to the city of Springfield, Massachusetts, for public highway purposes, and for no other purpose, all the right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to certain strips or parcels of land within the Springfield Armory Military Reservation, Massachusetts, the areas to be conveyed being particularly described as follows:

First parcel. Beginning at a point in the boundary line between land of the United States and the highway already established as Walnut Street, said point being located in the westerly line of Walnut Street extended and one and fifty-six one-hundredths feet southerly of the south line of Hickory Street; thence southerly ten degrees one minute fifty seconds east, a distance of seventy-one and forty-six one-hundredths feet; thence south eighteen degrees forty-four minutes thirty seconds east, a distance of seventy and twenty-nine one-hundredths feet; thence on a curve to the right of thirty feet radius, a distance of thirty-five and forty-three one-hundredths feet; thence south forty-eight degrees fifty-four minutes fifty seconds west, a distance of twenty-five and sixty-nine one-hundredths feet,